

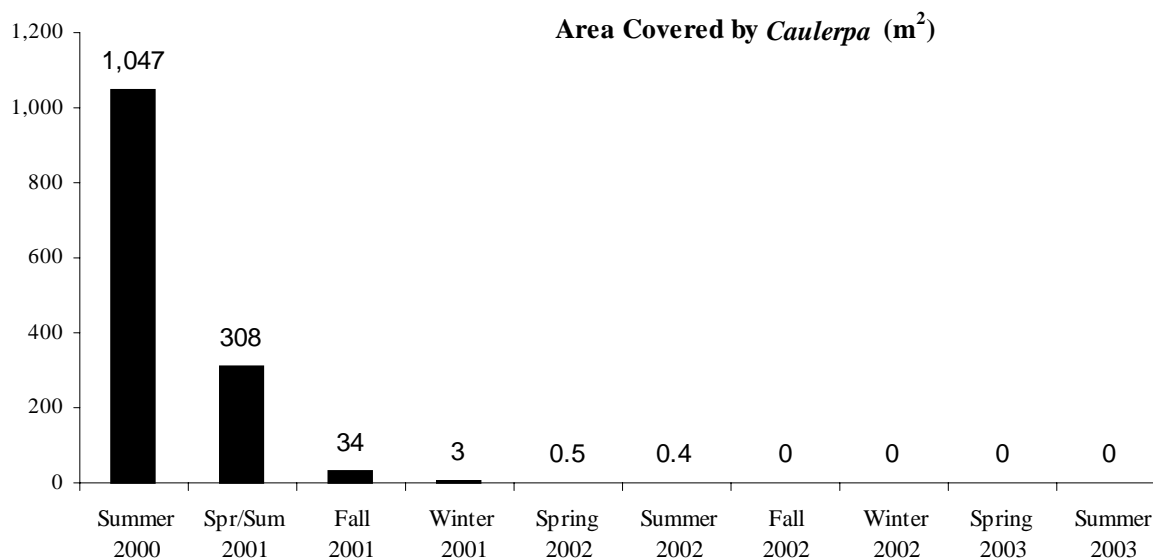
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Historical Distribution of *Caulerpa taxifolia* in Agua Hedionda

Cumulative distribution of *Caulerpa taxifolia* from June 2000-September 2003. *Caulerpa* has not been found in the west or central basins of the lagoon during this eradication effort.

Summer 2003 Update



During the Summer 2003 survey, no *Caulerpa* was found. Testing of the presently used survey techniques has demonstrated that no survey is 100% effective. Therefore, surveys will continue quarterly to search for *Caulerpa* that may have been missed. Another full survey will be conducted in Fall 2003.